



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS*, In Alabama, in 2008, within the 2320 crashes in Highway Work Zones there were approximately 17 fatalities and over 722 injuries; and

*WHEREAS*, nationally there were 720 work fatalities in 2008; this figure represents 2% of all roadway fatalities for the year. In addition, there are over 40,000 injuries in work zones and

*WHEREAS*, nationwide a work zone fatality occurs once every 10 hours; in Alabama, there is a work zone fatality once every 10 days; and

*WHEREAS*, four out of five people killed in work zones are drivers and passengers; and

*WHEREAS*, the primary reason for work zone-related crashes include alcohol, speeding and inattention; and

*WHEREAS*, state agencies, road builders, contractors and local officials are joining together statewide to heighten awareness encouraging motorists to drive with caution through work zones and to realize that workers in construction zones are real people among our community and friend:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 19 through April 23, 2010, as

## *National Work Zone Awareness Week*

in the State of Alabama.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the  
Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the  
City of Montgomery on the 12th day of April  
2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Riley".

Governor Bob Riley

